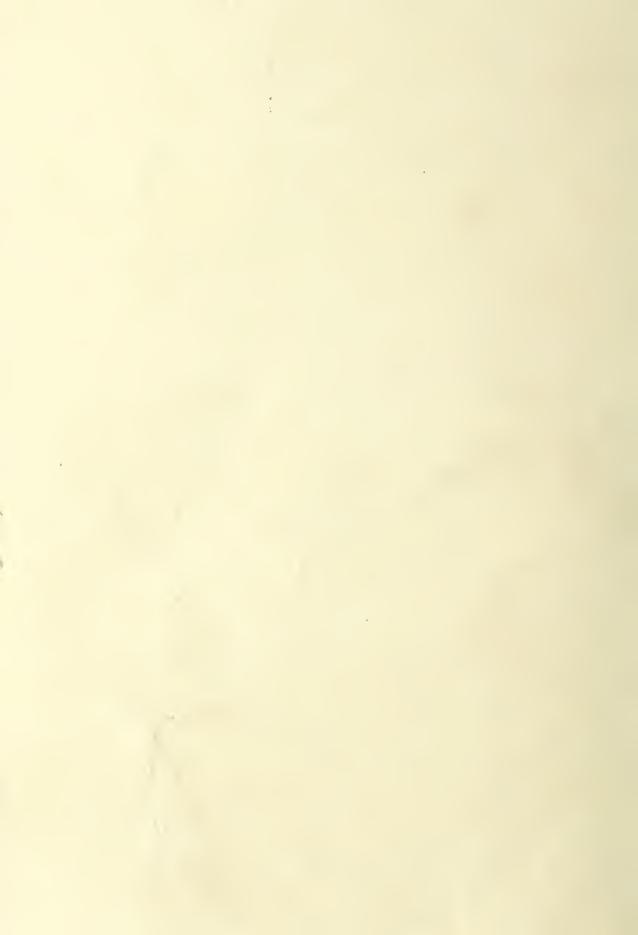
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FOREIGN NEWS ON APPLES

## THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET

Prices received for American apples on the Liverpool auction on Wednesday, November 21, show a strengthening market for both boxed and barreled varieties, according to a cable received in the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Mr. Edwin Smith, the Department's Fruit Specialist in Europe. Barreled supplies in general were light but much of the fruit appeared over-ripe and with only a small amount of vitality. Few arrivals of barreled apples were in first class condition. Barreled stock with good color and bright appearance showed a marked premium over ruling prices. Auction supplies of boxed apples were light but stocks in the hands of jobbers and retailers were heavy.

There was a good demand during the auction for New York Rhode Island Greenings. Only light supplies were available and the fruit was in good condition, U.S. No. 1,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch stock bringing from \$6.08 to \$6.20 per barrel which is equivalent to approximately \$3.98 to \$4.10 f.o.b. Rochester. There was also a good demand for the light offerings of Maine Baldwins, U.S. No. 1,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch stock bringing \$6.45 per barrel. The general condition of the moderate supplies of York Imperials available for the auction was poor but the fruit met with a good demand, U.S. No. 1,  $2\frac{1}{3}$  inch stock in fair condition ranging from \$6.33 to \$6.69 per barrel. The market would take more highly colored Virginia Yorks, according to Mr. Smith. Most of the Virginia Ben Davis and Staymans available for the auction were in an overripe condition. The light supplies of Virginia Winesaps available were also in poor condition. Many miscellaneous varieties of 2-1/4 inch unclassified stock in variable condition were offered during the sale and sold at from \$4.26 to \$5.11. Some Nova Scotian apples were offered, Golden Russets bringing from \$7.30 to \$8.03 and Rhode Island Greenings around \$6.08. The London market for barreled stock was approximately 25 cents per barrel below the Liverpool level.

The light supplies of Washington Winesaps available for the Liverpool auction met with only a slow demand although the fruit was in good condition. There was a good demand, however, for Oregon Yellow Newtowns, Extra Fancy 150/163/175 stock ranging from \$3.41 to \$3.65 as against \$3.28 to \$3.41 last week. The demand for California Newtowns and for Oregon Spitzenbergs was only moderate. There was an improving demand for Washington Jonathans on the London market. Although supplies were liberal, the London market paid from \$2.19 to \$2.31 per box for the 150/163/175 sizes of Extra Fancy Jonathans, and from \$2.07 to \$2.19 for the Fancy grades.

The outlook in both the United Kingdom and the Continental markets is favorable for barreled apples arriving firm and in good condition, states Mr. Smith. Many barreled apples are arriving without the mark indicating the country of origin as required by law. (See Foreign Service release on Apples, F.S./A-175, dated April 12, 1928.) This law went into effect on November 12. The weather in the United Kingdom at present is warm and cloudy, which is very unfavorable for keeping fruit.

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November 14 and 21, 192							
Variety and grade		Price					
and State	Origin	:November 14	:November 21				
	•		: Dollars				
BARRELS - Apples	1	:	:				
York Imperials:	•	:	;				
U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch	: Virginia	: 5.96-6.93	: <u>a</u> /6.33-6.69				
U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch	: II	: 5.47-6.93	: <u>a</u> /6.08-6.45				
U.S. Commercial, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch		: 4.99-5.96	: <u>a/</u> 5.96-6.20				
Ben Davis:	•	:	<del>-</del> /				
U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch		: 4.20-4.87	: 5.80-5.84				
Winesans:		1	;				
U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch	li .	: 4.68-5.35	: <u>b</u> /5.11-5.84				
Stagmans:		:	:				
U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch	If	: 4.99-5.35	: c/				
Unclassified, 2 inch	Н	: <u>c</u> /	: <u>c/</u> : <u>b/</u> 4.38-5.11				
Starks:		<u>-</u> /	<u>-</u> / · · ·				
$U.S. No. 1, 2\frac{1}{4} inch$	Maine	: <u>c</u> /	: 5.72				
Baldwins:	,	-/ :	•				
U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch	tf.	: <u>c</u> /	: 6.45				
Rhode Island Greenings:		:	•				
U.S. No. 1, $2\frac{1}{4}$ inch	New York	: <u>c</u> /	: 6.08-6.20				
BOXES - Apples	!	<del>-</del> /	•				
Winesaps:		•	:				
Fancy, 150/163/175	Washington	; <u>c</u> /	2.13				
Yellow Newtowns:		-/ •	:				
Extra Fancy, 150/163/175	Oregon	: 3.28-3.41	: 3.41-3.65				
Extra Fancy, 188/smaller	11	2.80	2.68-2.74				
Fancy, 150/163/175	: *** · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2.92-3.10	2.92-3.10				
Fancy, 188/smaller	H	2.74-2.86	2.43				
Fancy, 150/163/175	California	<u>c/</u> ,	2.01				
Spitzenbergs:		// :					
Extra Fancy, 188/smaller	Oregon	: <u>c</u> /	2.07-2.19				
Fancy, 188/smaller:	17	<u>c/</u> : 2.01–2.07	: <u>c</u> /				
BOXES - Pears	;		'				
Winter Nellia:	;	:					
Extra Fancy, 150/180:	Washington :	3.22-3.71	3.89-4.14				
Fancy, 150/180	ti (	: <u>c</u> / :	3.89-4.01				
BARRELS							
Keiffers	New York	: <u>c</u> / :	8.76-9.25				
BOXES - Grapefruit :							
Grapefruit		4.26-5.84					
Grapefruit	Jamaica	4.14-4.99 :	3.28-3.71				
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 $<sup>\</sup>underline{a}$ / Fair condition.  $\underline{b}$ / Poor condition.  $\underline{c}$ / None quoted in cable.

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